

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549-0306

July 26, 2012

Via Email
Rolland D. Jurgens
Chief Accounting Officer
UnionBanCal Corporation
400 California Street
San Francisco, CA 94104-1302

Re: UnionBanCal Corporation

Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended

December 31, 2011 Filed March 26, 2012

Form 10-Q for Fiscal Quarter Ended

March 31, 2011 Filed May 14, 2012 File No. 001-15081

Dear Mr. Jurgens:

We have reviewed your filings and have the following comments. In some of our comments, we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure.

Please respond to this letter within ten business days by amending your filing, by providing the requested information, or by advising us when you will provide the requested response. Where we have specifically requested a draft of your proposed disclosures in future filings, please ensure that it clearly identifies new, revised or deleted disclosures, as appropriate. If you do not believe our comments apply to your facts and circumstances or do not believe an amendment is appropriate, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing any amendment to your filing and the information you provide in response to these comments, including the draft of your proposed disclosures, we may have additional comments.

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Form 10-K for Fiscal Year ended December 31, 2011

Management's Discussion and Analysis, page 41

1. We note your use of the non-GAAP measure "Core efficiency ratio" throughout the Form 10-K and the most recently filed Form 10-Q. Please revise future filings to change the name of this non-GAAP measure to more accurately reflect its content. In this regard, the use of the word "core" implies you are referring to your most central or essential operations and results. Removal of the various expenses, such as the provision for losses on off-balance sheet commitments, implies that they are not an inherent part of your core operations. Thus, we believe it would be appropriate to use a more descriptive title to describe this non-GAAP measure, perhaps eliminating the use of the word "core" in its entirety in the title.

Financial Statements

Note 3 – Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses, page 104

2. We note your tables on page 109 that breaks out your loans based on credit quality indicators. We note that you only provide two credit quality indicators for your commercial portfolio segment, being "pass" and "criticized." We further note on page 65 that "criticized" credits are internally risk graded as "special mention," "substandard," or "doubtful." Since you utilize credit quality indicators beyond just criticized and pass, we believe your disclosures in accordance with ASC 310-10-50-29 (a) and (b) should reflect this. In this regard, please provide us your proposed revised disclosures as of December 31, 2011 and revise all future filings accordingly.

We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filing to be certain that the filing includes the information the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and all applicable Exchange Act rules require. Since the company and its management are in possession of all facts relating to a company's disclosure, they are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosures they have made.

In responding to our comments, please provide a written statement from the company acknowledging that:

- the company is responsible for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure in the filing;
- staff comments or changes to disclosure in response to staff comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the filing; and

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• the company may not assert staff comments as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States.

You may contact Babette Cooper at (202) 551-3396 or me at (202) 551-3474 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Sharon Blume

Sharon Blume Assistant Chief Accountant